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ATTN: TCO/CIA

1. FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS FURNISHED VERBALLY TO TCO [REDACTED] ON 30 OCTOBER FROM [REDACTED] (SYSTEM). MEMO PREPARED BY [REDACTED] AND FORWARDED TO THIS OFFICE 31 OCTOBER QUOTED BELOW:

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ON 16TH OCTOBER A LETTER, CLASSIFIED SECRET, WAS RECEIVED IN THE [REDACTED] FROM THE [REDACTED] WHICH INCLUDED THESE STATEMENTS:

"I WAS RELIABLY INFORMED TODAY THAT CURRENT SATELLITE PHOTOGRAPHIC RECONNAISSANCE CAN DISCERN THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF VEHICLES WHICH ARE MASSED FOR SUCH AN OCCASION AS THE RECENT INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA. IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE, FOR EXAMPLE IT WAS POSSIBLE TO DISCERN THE NUMBER OF JEEPS AS OPPOSED TO THE NUMBER OF TANKS. THERE IS AT PRESENT APPARENTLY AN UNUSUALLY LARGE CONCENTRATION OF MILITARY VEHICLES IN MONGOLIA ON THE SINO-SOVIET FRONTIER."

SINCE THIS OFFICER IS NOT CLEARED FOR ACCESS TO TKH MATERIAL, THE SOURCE OF HIS INFORMATION, WHICH WAS PASSED IN GOOD FAITH, HAS BEEN INVESTIGATED. IT HAS BEEN ASCERTAINED THAT THE INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED FROM A FRENCH LADY, A FAMILY FRIEND OF THE NAVAL ATTACHE WHO HAD HERSELF RECEIVED IT FROM "A GENERAL [REDACTED] WHO IS HEAD OF THE INFORMATION DIVISION AT THE [REDACTED]"

THE NAVAL ATTACHE HAD MET GENERAL [REDACTED] PREVIOUSLY AT THIS LADY'S HOUSE.

THIS INFORMATION IS PASSED TO YOU FOR WHATEVER ACTION YOU MAY THINK FIT.

THE [REDACTED] NAVAL ATTACHE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT ALL COPIES OF HIS LETTER ARE TO BE DESTROYED AND THAT THE SUBJECT MENTIONED IN IT IS NOT TO BE DISCUSSED WITH ANYONE. APPROPRIATE ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN TO SAFEGUARD THE INFORMATION WITHIN THE MOD AND THE [REDACTED] NAVAL ATTACHE'S LETTER HAS NOT BEEN SEEN BY ANY UNCLEARED PERSONNEL.

2. PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU WISH ME TO DO ANYTHING FURTHER.

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